

## **Governor's Workforce Cabinet**

**TO:** Teachers and Administrators

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**RE:** Changes to Career and Technical Education Funding

Career and Technical Education (CTE) is highly important to the State of Indiana and its students. The Governor's Workforce Cabinet in partnership with K-12 stakeholders has been working to continuously improve Career and Technical Education (CTE) to ensure students taking these courses gain credits and experiences that build throughout their high school education and prepare them for postsecondary education and careers. As in past years, to accomplish that goal of skill and career alignment within CTE courses, some types of courses are prioritized over others for CTE funding purposes. Additional detailed information regarding CTE course funding levels for the 2020-2021 school year will be available on the Indiana State Board of Education's (SBOE) website ahead of the December 27, 2019 meeting. The following helps summarize some important "frequently asked questions" (FAQs).

## *How is course funding determined?*

- Funding amounts are revisited every two years, per statute.
- Each course is funded based on its designation.
- Course designations are determined using a methodology that evaluates demand and wages for jobs associated with CTE courses.

## How has course funding changed?

- Funding levels for introductory courses that introduce students to a CTE pathway and the Preparing for College and Careers (PCC) course have not been changed.
- Foundational courses are no longer funded with CTE dollars, per statute. These courses are Nutrition and Wellness, Child Development, Adult Roles and Responsibilities, Interpersonal Relationships, and Consumer Economics.
- Some advanced courses will receive increased funding.

## What is the appeal process?

- As in past years, appeals should be directed to DWD and will open after final action from SBOE.
- Corporations may appeal based on the unique circumstances of their local communities. Foundational courses may not be appealed.

Please contact the Governor's Workforce Cabinet with questions: GWCpubliccomment@gov.in.gov.